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This invention is related to the following copending U.S. Patent Applications:

a1 U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/663,777 ~~_____~~ [(112025-0197)] titled, *Packet Striping Across a Parallel Header Processor*, filed on even date herewith and assigned to the assignee of the present invention; and

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/106,246 titled, *Synchronization and Control System for an Arrayed Processing Engine*, filed on June 29, 1998 and assigned to the assignee of the present invention.
